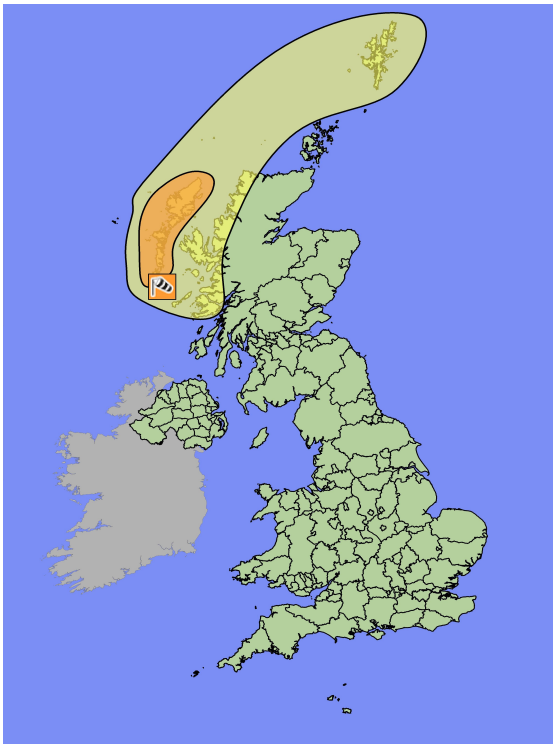
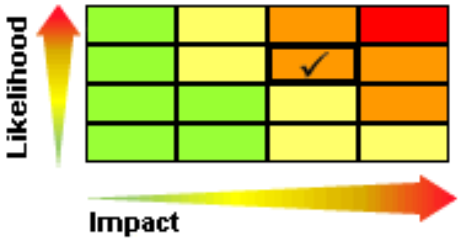
# National Severe Weather Warning Service






**Chief Forecasters Assessment**
A deepening North Atlantic low pressure area will result in south to southwesterly severe gales developing during Friday evening and into the early hours of Saturday. Gusts of over 70 mph are expected to be widespread, whilst within the Amber area across the Western Isles, gusts of 85 mph are likely for a time in the late evening and into the early hours of Saturday.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **20:00 on Fri, 28th Dec 2012** until **06:00 on Sat, 29th Dec 2012**

South to southwesterly severe gales, with storm force winds for a time, will develop through Friday evening and into the early hours of Saturday morning. Seas will also be high with a risk of over-topping especially on west facing coasts.

The public should be prepared for disruption to travel, whilst winds of this strength could also lead to some structural damage.

**For more details please go to:**
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

**Issued by the Met Office at 11:41 on Thu, 27th Dec 2012**

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